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Sedgwick County Fire Department Offers Holiday Safety Tips

(Sedgwick County, Kansas) – It is the time of year when grocery stores are full and family and friends get together to give thanks. The Sedgwick County Fire Department urges you to follow these simple safety tips to make your Thanksgiving get together safe and enjoyable.

- Keep your stove/range clean and grease free
- Wear the proper clothes when you cook (short or close fitting sleeves are the best); roll or tie back long or loose sleeves
- Turn pot handles away from the front of the range so pots won't be knocked over
- Keep children away from the range at all times
- Keep flammables away from range and oven
- Use potholders or oven mitts to pick up HOT items
- Never leave the kitchen unattended when food is cooking

"Thanksgiving is a time to be thankful and enjoy family and friends," said Sedgwick County Commission Chairman Tim Norton. "We encourage everyone to use safety when cooking for your guests. "

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In addition to other safety tips, you can find the proper way to put out cooking fires on our website at www.sedgwickcounty.org.

If an accident should happen and emergency services are needed, remember that Sedgwick County emergency services are available twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week, by call 9-1-1.

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